

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1216**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*David B. Sullivan*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to manufacturers' coupons and rebates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David B. Sullivan</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Stephen R. Canessa</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>

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By Mr. Sullivan of Fall River, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1216) of David B. Sullivan and Stephen R. Canessa that manufacturers, distributors, or suppliers of prescription pharmaceutical products be authorized to offer and participate in direct to consumer rebate programs. Financial Services.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3451 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to manufacturers' coupons and rebates.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 of chapter 175H or any other  
2 general or special law to the contrary, it shall be lawful for any manufacturer, distributor, or  
3 supplier of prescription pharmaceutical products to offer and participate in any direct to  
4 consumer rebate programs, even if a portion of the prescription is paid for by a health insurer,  
5 and for any consumer of prescription pharmaceutical products to participate fully in any rebate  
6 program or offering made either a manufacturer, distributor, or supplier of said prescription  
7 pharmaceutical products, even if a portion of the prescription is paid for by a health insurer.